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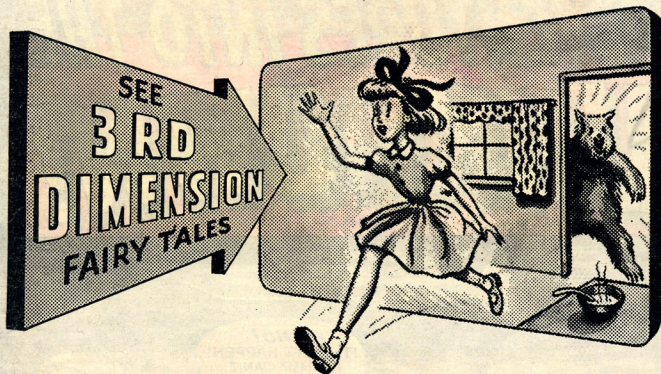
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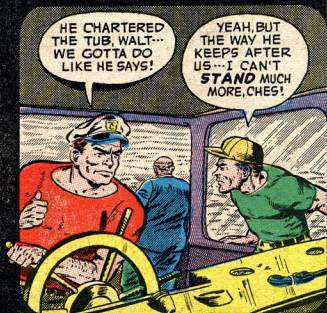
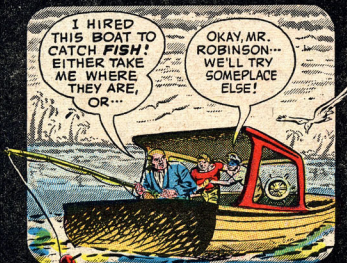
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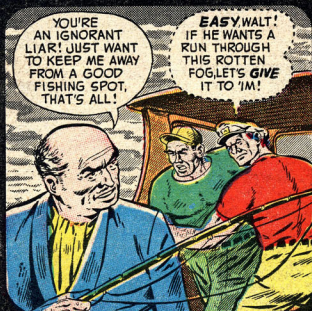
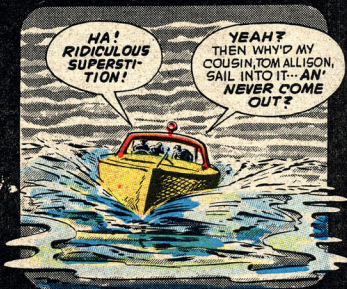
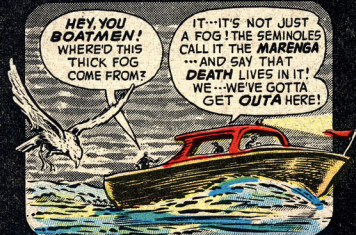


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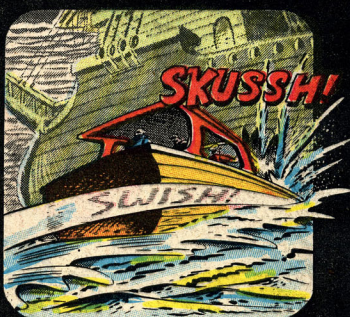
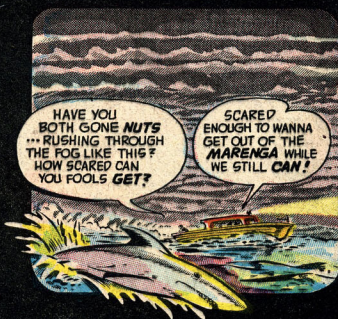
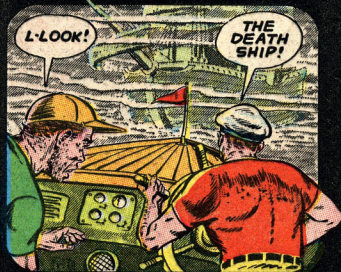
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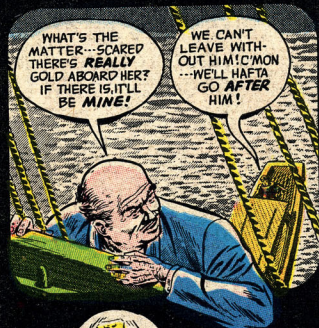
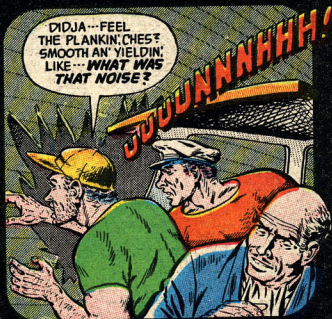


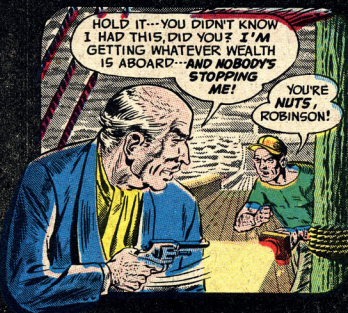
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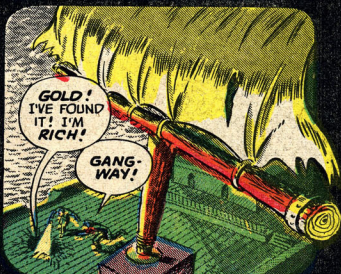
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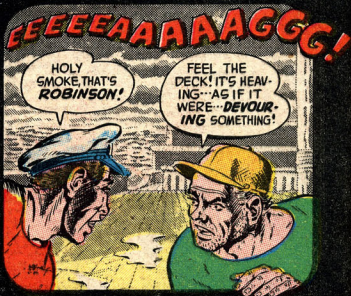
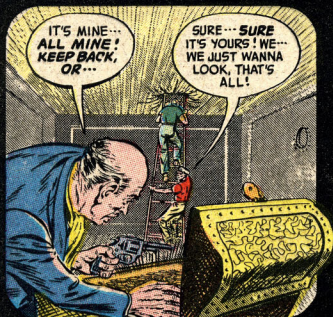


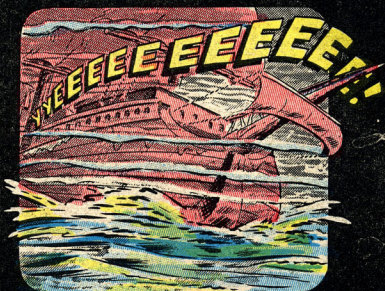
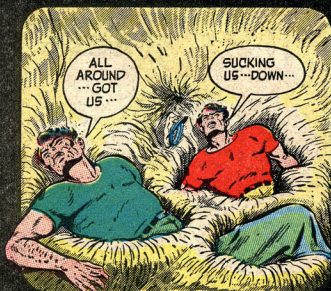
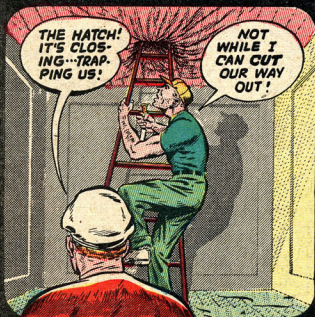




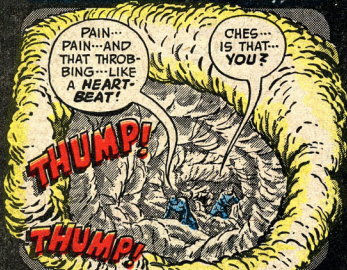
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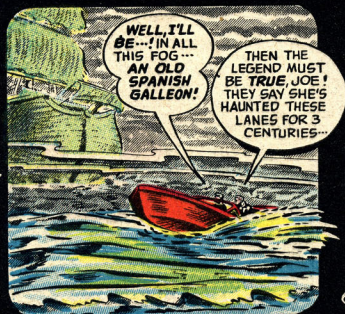






DEEP WITHIN THE HULL, AS THE DAZED
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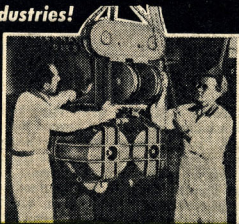


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The OLD GOLD RING

A RING SEEMS a small thing to cause a hatred which went beyond the grave itself, but perhaps this was a special ring. A massive golden antique representing two intertwined serpents, it had been handed down in the Carlson family for generations. And when old Henry Carlson died, the trouble began. There were two grandsons, Otto and Martin, who were cousins, and the entire estate went to Otto. Yet it was a known thing that the old gold ring had been promised to Martin. Therefore, when Otto not only flaunted his newly-won fortune in his cousin's face, but usurped the ring as well, bitterness grew in Martin's heart. There was nothing he could do about it, because the old man's will mentioned only Otto. And as the years passed, the ring became a symbol to Martin...a symbol of his misfortune which made him hate his luckier cousin.

You can be sure that Otto lost no opportunity to rub it in, and fan the flames of jealousy. It took many years for these flames to break loose...in fact, it didn't happen until the cousins were old men. There was no proof or real evidence against Martin when Otto was found dead, his skull crushed by repeated blows of some heavy object, for he had been too clever to remove the ring which he had so long coveted. But witnesses will never forget the scene just before the burial, when he invaded the dead man's house. Stalking into the parlor, he stood over the open coffin, staring grimly at the body within. And it is still whispered that even as he looked, the expression on the corpse's face had seemed to change, its lips parting to reveal the two fanglike teeth in an expression of awful hatred. It couldn't have been just imagination, for Martin recoiled as if he'd been struck. Then he lunged forward, seized one of the clasped hands within the coffin, and tore from it the old gold ring. "I'm the only heir now," he gritted. "This is *mine* now, and nobody can stop me from taking it!"

Nobody did stop him, and the burial

proceeded on schedule. The clods clumped down on Otto's coffin as Martin stared exultantly at the ring which was now his. And then, that very night...*it happened!* The neighborhood was aroused by Martin's awful screams...but by the time the first people reached his room, it was already too late. He was dead...horribly dead. His throat had been torn out as if by some wild beast. Then, shudderingly, it came out...the murderous work had been done by two fanglike teeth...and nothing had been touched save the old gold ring. *It was gone!*

The Sheriff laughed at the stories. Sheer superstition, he called them...he'd soon catch the real murderer! But day followed day, with no results. The whispers increased...and the pressure on the Sheriff. He grew irascible under the burden, claiming that Otto was dead, and that dead men couldn't kill. And still...the rumors. There was only one thing to do. Dig up the coffin...prove that it still contained Otto's corpse. That would put talk to rest, the Sheriff felt. There was a large crowd at the exhumation. As the grave-diggers dug away, the Sheriff permitted himself the luxury of a smile. "All solid earth," he remarked. "Nobody could get through *that*, right?" And then, when the coffin was uncovered: "Good hard oak...and the top's screwed on! Think a feller could get outa *there*?"

Opening the coffin was just a matter of form, after all *this* evidence. Inside, old Otto lay serenely at rest. "See?" asked the Sheriff complacently. "Doesn't it all *prove* he could never o' stirred outa that box?" A gasp of horror rippled through the onlookers, and the Sheriff's eyes swung back to the corpse. "*H-h-holy Hannah!*" he breathed.

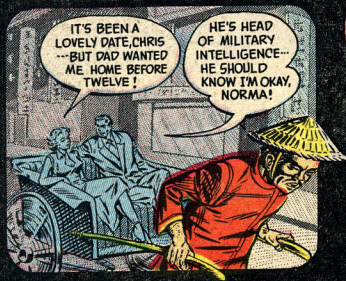
The old man's lips were drawn back to reveal two fanglike teeth which, strangely, were dyed a deep red. And the sun glinted on one of his clasped hands, reflecting in eerie rays from the old gold ring which Otto wore.

SOMEWHERE IN THE HEART OF HONG KONG WAS A SECRET TOMB...
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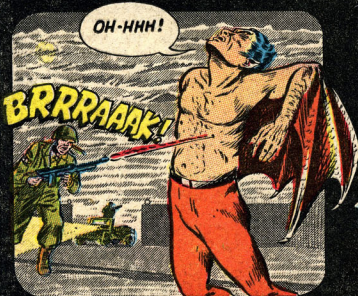
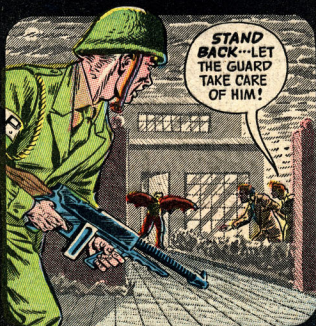
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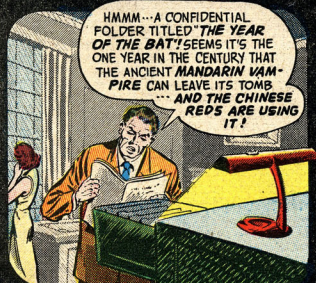


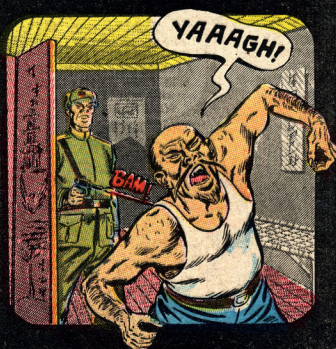
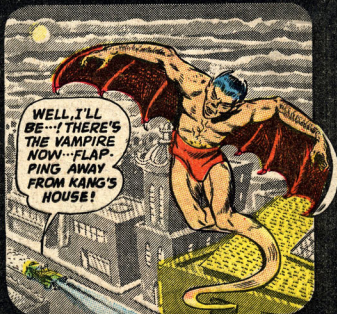
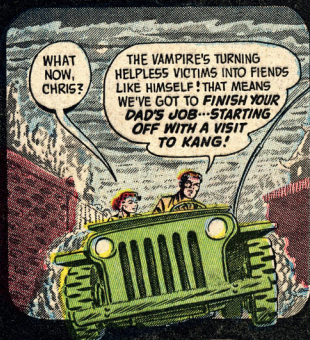
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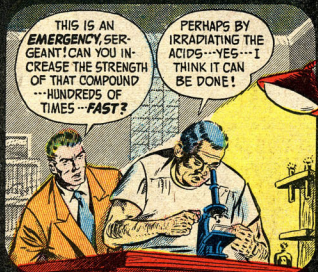




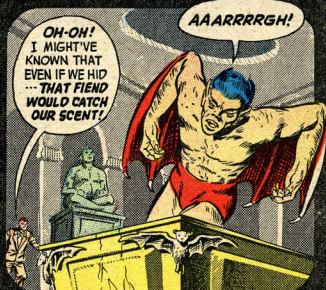
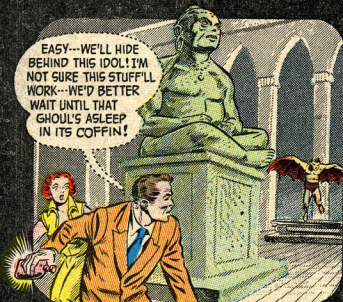
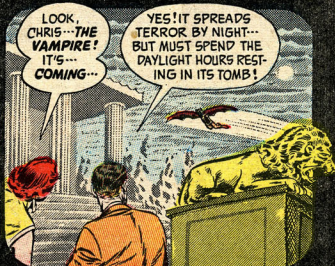
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HERE IT IS, fans...the occasion for which we've waited!

With this issue, "Adventures Into The Unknown" enters a new phase, a new experiment in bringing to its hosts of readers from coast to coast a startling visual presentation of its thrilling stories of the supernatural. Yes, we're referring to 3-Dimension. As you'll doubtless recollect, our first try-out was with a single headline feature in last month's issue, wherein we pioneered with a genuine and amazing innovation..."TrueVision". In itself a scientific triumph, this system...our personal contribution to the 3-Dimension field in publishing...is distinctly different from anything which has ever appeared previously. It presents a thrilling illusion of actual depth which makes characters come alive, and turns every story into a vivid, lifelike drama which unfolds excitingly before your eyes as if it were actually happening. It's a vibrant full color process that's new and different...and...it requires no glasses! There'll be no fumbling with cumbersome vari-colored spectacles in reading your favorite magazine, "Adventures Into The Unknown". Even more important, what you see you'll see plainly, clearly, without eyestrain...and you'll love every minute

of it!

We've got a lot of faith in "TrueVision"...but admittedly, it's still an experiment. Before we adopt it permanently, we have every intention of making sure that it's what you want, in this and succeeding issues. We feel that we've given the new process a good start by presenting it in this issue in association with as fine a collection of stories as we've ever featured. Let's take "Monster In The Fog", for instance. This is a truly startling supernatural concept...a gripping and weird account that'll keep you tense from start to finish. "Year of The Bat" is another of the same cloth...an eerie adventure chockful of exciting action. "Till Death Do Us Part" deals with the age-old subject of return from death...but does so in frighteningly novel fashion. Taken together, this is the sort of fare which thrills...and "TrueVision" should enhance the effect!

What do you think? Do you like our new experiment in 3-dimensional effect? Do you want us to continue it? We'll only know if you write us! Address your letters to The Editor, "Adventures Into The Unknown", 45 West 45th Street, New York 36, N. Y. And, incidentally...here's some of the general type of mail we've been getting lately!

"Dear Editor:-

'Adventures Into The Unknown' was positively wonderful this month...as it is every month! Especially 'Beyond The Door'. I enjoy reading your stories very much...keep up the good work!

--Dorothy Schirmers, Minneapolis, Minn."

"Dear Editor:-

I needn't tell you how good 'Adventures Into The Unknown' is, because you and everyone who's ever read it knows that. But let me tell you why I think it's so good! In a comic, I look for mystery and suspense...not just horrifying terror. Then, I like stories to end logically. Most comics don't...they just stop! Not yours, however...they're well-planned and wonderful!

--P. Menendez, St. Louis, Mo."

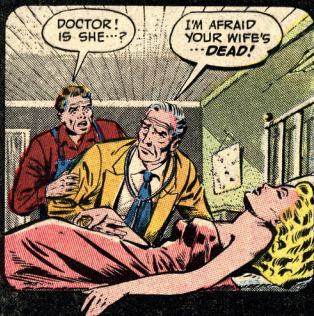
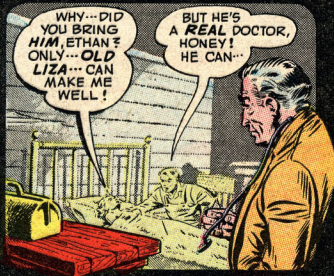
NO HUMAN FORCE COULD BREAK THE SACRED TIES WHICH BOUND THEM TOGETHER! BUT ETHAN JONES DIDN'T RECKON WITH THE DREAD POWER OF THE SUPERNATURAL WHEN HE SWORE---

TILL DEATH DO US PART



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THE CABIN OF A POOR SHARE CROPPER...



THAT NIGHT...AS THE HILL PEOPLE GATHERED ABOUT THE CRUDE COFFIN...



SUDDENLY...



WITH A CACKLING LAUGH, THE OLD WITCH SPRINKLED A STRANGE POWDER INTO THE CANDLE'S FLAME...



THEN...A WEIRD SPELL ECHOED HOLLOWLY FORTH!



AS THE DAYS PASSED...



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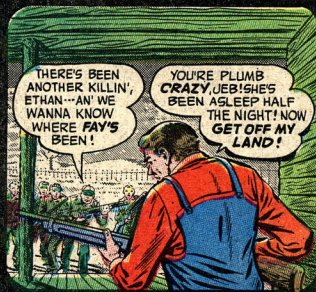
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KILL...KILL...
KILL!



NO, FAY... **NOT**
ME! REMEMBER
OUR VOWS... TO
LOVE AN' HONOR
EACH OTHER...



TILL... DEATH
DO US PART!

BANG!



THEN... BEFORE THEIR STARTLED EYES...

LOOK!
THE DEMON
SPIRIT!

IT... IT CAME
FROM FAY'S BODY!
THEN IT'S ALL
TRUE!

AS THE DREAD APPARITION VANISHED FOREVER...



DON'T GRIEVE,
ETHAN... THAT NEVER
WAS **REALLY** FAY!
BETTER THAT MY
SHOT DISLODGED
THAT DEMON...

YES...
FAR
BETTER...



WE'LL BURY
HER NOW... AN'
THIS TIME, SHE'LL
FIND THE EVER-
LASTIN' PEACE!
SHE DESERVES!

GOODBYE
...FAY...

END

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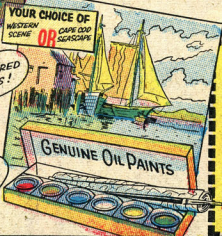
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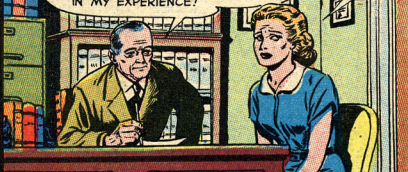
IN THE OFFICE OF CHARLES HASTINGS, CHAIRMAN OF THE PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF A LARGE NORTH-EASTERN UNIVERSITY--

I'VE CALLED YOU FOR A PRIVATE CHAT, MISS WINSLOW, TO SAY THAT YOUR TESTS REVEAL THE HIGHEST DEGREE OF **EXTRA-SENSORY PERCEPTION** IN MY EXPERIENCE!

BUT THAT'S **TERRIBLE, PROFESSOR--AWFUL!**

WHY COMPLAIN BECAUSE YOUR BRAIN IS MORE HIGHLY DEVELOPED THAN THE REST OF US? NOW, WOULD YOU SUBMIT TO THIS LAST TEST? I'LL WRITE A SERIES OF NUMBERS ON THIS PAPER--AND I'D LIKE YOU TO CONCENTRATE AND REPEAT THEM!

I'LL TRY, PROFESSOR-- BUT I PRAY IT **DOESN'T WORK!**



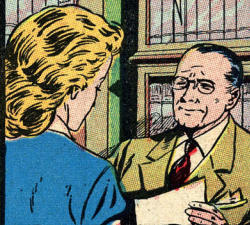
I--THINK--THE NUMBERS-- ARE--**4--716--933-- 72--190!**

ABSOLUTELY AMAZING!

THIS MEANS-- THERE'S **NO HOPE!** I'M **DOOMED!**

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? YOU SHOULD BE **HAPPY!**

YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND! EVER SINCE CHILDHOOD I'VE BEEN **DIFFERENT** FROM OTHER PEOPLE! I ALWAYS **KNEW** THINGS--**BEFORE THEY HAPPENED!** I BEGGED MY FATHER NOT TO GO ON THAT FATAL PLANE TRIP, BECAUSE I KNEW HE WOULD DIE--**AND HE DID!** ONE NIGHT, WHEN I WAS NINE YEARS OLD--

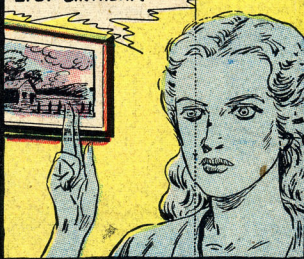
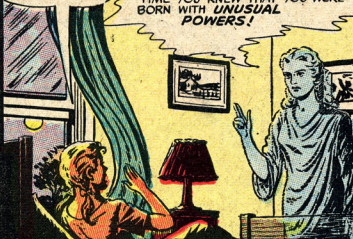


"-- SOMETHING WOKE ME FROM DEEP SLEEP! THERE, BEFORE MY TERRIFIED EYES--"

G--GO AWAY! PLEASE! WHAT DO YOU WANT?

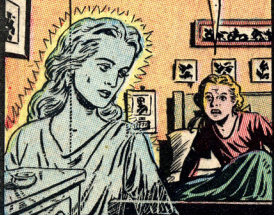
I AM A **MESSENGER, MILDRED WINSLOW--FROM THE BEYOND!** DO NOT FEAR ME, CHILD--FOR I COME AS A FRIEND--BUT IT IS TIME YOU KNEW THAT YOU WERE BORN WITH **UNUSUAL POWERS!**

THEY WILL BECOME **STRONGER** AS YOU GROW OLDER--AND WILL GIVE YOU MUCH GRIEF! THEREFORE, IT HAS BEEN DECIDED TO **RELIEVE** YOU OF YOUR MISERY ON YOUR **21ST BIRTHDAY!**



MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR FEW BRIEF YEARS, CHILD! AND NOW-- FAREWELL!

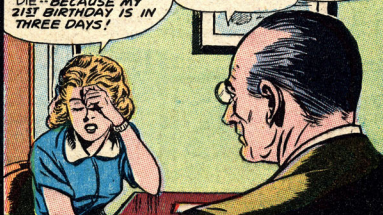
WAIT! DON'T GO YET! MOMMY! MOMMY!



AS THE GIRL FINISHED HER STRANGE STORY...

MOTHER SAID IT WAS ONLY A NIGHTMARE-- BUT I KNOW BETTER! FOR I LEARNED THAT I HAD THOSE POWERS! AND NOW I'M FATED TO DIE-- BECAUSE MY 21ST BIRTHDAY IS IN THREE DAYS!

NOW, NOW, MISS WINSLOW! YOU'RE HIGHLY SENSITIVE AND IMAGINATIVE--AND VICTIMIZED BY A DELUSION! TO PROVE IT--I'LL HAVE YOU EXAMINED BY AN EMINENT PSYCHIATRIST!



AFTER THE EXAMINATION...

I'VE GIVEN HER A SEDATIVE TO QUIET HER NERVES! UNUSUAL CASE-- NO EVIDENCE OF MANIA AT ALL, EXCEPT FOR THIS OBSESSIVE DELUSION! I SUGGEST YOU STAY WITH HER EVERY MINUTE ON HER BIRTHDAY!

OF COURSE! AFTERWARDS, SHE'LL BE FINE!



IN THE PROFESSOR'S HOUSE, AS THE GIRL'S BIRTHDAY DREW TO AN END...

YOU SEE? IN A FEW MINUTES IT WILL BE A NEW DAY, AND--

LOOK! IN THE CORNER! SOMETHING'S HAPPENING!



AS THE GRIM SPECTER SWIFTLY MATERIALIZED...

IT IS TIME, MILDRED WINSLOW-- COME!

GOOD HEAVENS!

OH-HH!



IN THE NEXT AWFUL MOMENT--

RISE, SPIRIT-- AND FOLLOW! YOU WILL BE HAPPY IN OUR DOMAIN!

I-I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! HER SPIRIT IS RISING!

BONG! BONG!



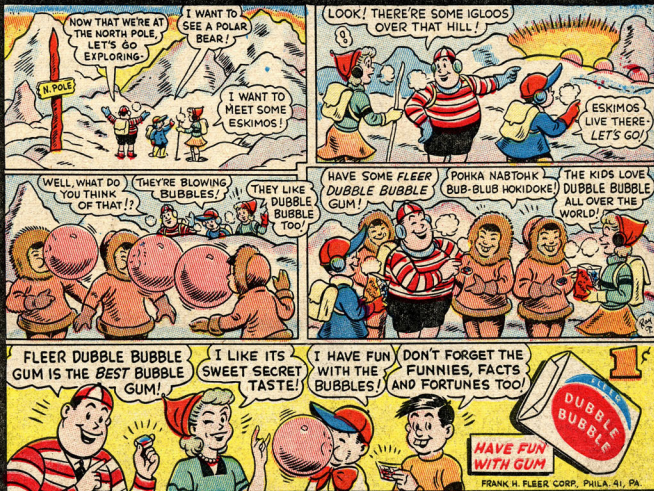
THEY'RE GONE--AND THE GIRL'S FACE IS SMILING! WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN-- AND WHO'LL BELIEVE WHAT HAPPENED?

BONG! BONG!

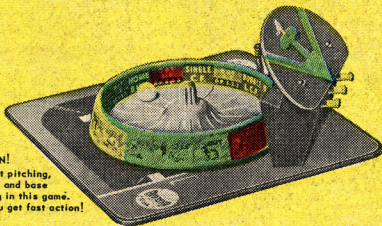


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THE END



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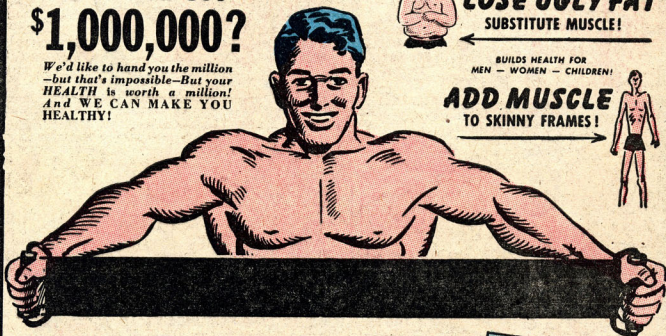
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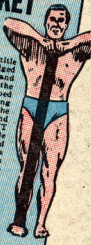
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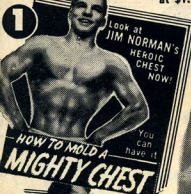
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